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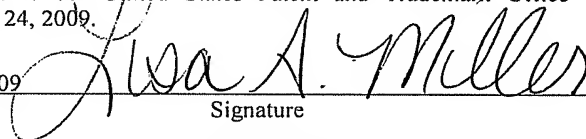
In response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2008, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks along with a three-month Petition for Extension of Time.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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